In the Claims:

Claims 1-53 (Canceled).

54.   (Previously Presented) For a security system which includes a first subsystem for managing monitoring of a premises and a second subsystem for displaying information, collected by said first subsystem while managing monitoring of said premises, an interface for coupling said first subsystem and said second subsystem, said interface comprising:

means for coupling said first subsystem to said second subsystem; and

means for enabling said second subsystem to access said first subsystem via said interface upon said first subsystem determining that an alarm event has occurred;

wherein, in the absence of said alarm event, said second subsystem is unable to access said first subsystem via said interface.

Claims 55-58 (Canceled).

59.   (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 54, wherein said first subsystem manages said premises by capturing and recording audiovisual information related to said premises and wherein said means for enabling said second subsystem to access said first subsystem upon said first subsystem determining that an alarm event has occurred further comprises means for allowing said second subsystem to access said audiovisual information captured and recorded by said first subsystem via said interface.

60.   (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 59, wherein said first subsystem caches a first portion of said audiovisual information captured and recorded by said first subsystem and stores a second portion of said audiovisual information captured and recorded by said first subsystem and wherein said means for allowing said second subsystem to access said

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audiovisual information captured and recorded by said first subsystem further comprises mean for allowing said second subsystem to access said cached and stored portions of said audiovisual information.

61.   (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 60, wherein said means for enabling said second subsystem to access said first subsystem upon said first subsystem determining than an alarm event has occurred further comprises:

means for relaying alarm condition data, from said first subsystem to said second subsystem via said interface upon determination, by said first subsystem, of said alarm condition.

62.   (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 61, wherein:

said first subsystem manages said premises by capturing and recording audiovisual information which includes: (1) alarm audiovisual information relating to said premises and (2) non-alarm audiovisual information relating to said premises; and

wherein said means for enabling said second subsystem to access said first subsystem via said interface upon said first subsystem determining that an alarm event has occurred further comprises:

means for enabling said second subsystem to access said alarm audiovisual information upon said first subsystem determining that an alarm event has occurred; and

means for enabling said second subsystem to access said non-alarm audiovisual information upon said first subsystem determining that an alarm event has occurred.

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63. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 62, wherein said alarm audiovisual information includes pre-alarm event audiovisual information.

64. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 62, wherein said alarm audiovisual information includes real-time audiovisual information.

65. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 61, wherein said means for relaying alarm condition data upon determination of said alarm condition further comprises means for streaming said real-time audiovisual information to said second subsystem via said interface.

66. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 61, wherein said interface further comprises a processor-based device and wherein said coupling means, said enabling means, said allowing means and said relaying means are all implemented as software running on said processor-based device.

67. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 61, wherein said interface further comprises plural processor-based devices coupled together by communication interfaces and wherein said coupling means, said enabling means, said allowing means and said relaying means are all implemented as software running on said plural processor-based devices.

68. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 61, wherein:

by enabling access to said first subsystem during said alarm event, an operator of said second subsystem may evaluate said relayed alarm condition data and, based upon said evaluation, determine whether an actual alarm condition exists; and wherein:

by denying access to said first subsystem in the absence of said alarm event, the privacy of individuals located at said premises is enhanced.

69. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 54, wherein said security system further includes a third subsystem for lifestyle monitoring of said premises and wherein said interface further comprises:

means for authorizing said third subsystem to access said first subsystem;

wherein, in the absence of authorization by said interface, said third subsystem is unable to access said first subsystem.

70. (Previously Presented) An interface for coupling a first system for managing monitoring of a premises and a second system for displaying information collected by said first system while managing monitoring of said premises, said second system remotely located relative to said first system, said interface comprising:

means for receiving alarm condition data from said first system, said first system transmittting said alarm condition data to said interface upon determining that an alarm event has occurred at said premises;

means for storing said alarm condition data received from said first system; and

means for enabling said second system to access said stored alarm condition data for a preselected period of time after said alarm event has occurred at said premises.

71. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 70, wherein said interface couples said second system with plural first systems.

72. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 71, and further comprising:

means for enabling said second system to access selected ones of said plural first systems for which an alarm event has occurred.

73. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 71 and further comprising:

means for maintaining network addresses at which each one of said plural first systems may be accessed.

74. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 71, and further comprising:

means for relaying control and/or configuration data generated by said second system to a selected one of said plural first systems after said occurrence of said alarm event thereat.

75. (Previously Presented) An interface for coupling a first system for managing monitoring of a premises and a second system for displaying information collected by said first system while managing monitoring of said premises, said second system remotely located relative to said first system, said interface comprising:

means for receiving audiovisual data from said first system;

means for storing said audiovisual data from said first system; and

means for enabling said second system to access said stored audiovisual data.

76. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 75, wherein said interface couples said second system with plural first systems.

77. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 76, and further comprising:

means for enabling said second system to access selected ones of said plural first systems for which an alarm event has occurred.

78. (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 76 and further comprising:

means for maintaining network addresses at which each one of said plural first systems may be accessed.

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79.   (Previously Presented) The interface of claim 69, and further comprising:

       means for relaying control and/or configuration data generated by said second system to a selected one of said plural first systems after an occurrence of an alarm event thereat.

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